

Abstract

Method for the output of text information via a display in a driver information system in a motor vehicle, the display having a predetermined display capacity, the extent of the information to be output being adapted to the capacity of the display, the text information or the information elements to be output, of which the text information is composed, being divided into at least two components each (prefix, body, and suffix), the information or information elements preferably being output to the full extent and an abbreviation being output for at least one component of an item of information or an information element to be output if the capacity of the display is not sufficient for output of the complete information or a complete unit of information, including at least one information element

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information data medium (24) for universal use in driver information systems (2) for motor vehicles, these information systems being designed for output of text information via a display (25), the output capacity of the display (25) possibly being different in different driver information systems (2), the information or information elements, of which the information is composed, being subdivided into at least two components each (prefix 2411, 2421, body 2412, 2422, suffix 2413, 2423) and, in addition, an abbreviation (2414, 2415, 2416; 2424, 2425, 2426) being stored on the data medium (24) for each component of each item of information or each information element for alternative output via the display (25).

The method and the data medium have the advantage that despite the use of only a single database for text information to be output, the available display capacity is regularly utilized at least approximately optimally for a plurality of different

types of equipment having different display capacities. Thus essentially a single data medium is sufficient for a plurality of different types of driver information systems.

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